Mr. T. Muhamed Ismail: May I know whether an L. M. P. non-Muslim is more qualified than an L. M. P. Muslim

Mr. K. P. Raman Pillai: They are equally qualified.

Mr. K. R. Elankath: May I know whether those appointed had acted before or whether they were fresh hands?

Mr. K. P. Raman Pillai: They had acted previously.

Mr. M. S. Anirudhan (*Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli, and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertalla*): May I know why the Ezhava candidate who has acted before is not appointed?

Mr. K. P. Raman Pillai: I claim notice.

Mr. M. S. Anirudhan: May I know whether he is in service now?

Mr. K. P. Raman Pillai: I claim notice.

Construction of a bridge at Palai.

112. ***Mr. R. V. Thomas**: Will the Government be pleased to state;

(*a*) in which year the construction of a bridge at Palai was sanctioned by Government;

(*b*) in which year the amount sanctioned for the bridge was first included in the budget;

(*c*) when the actual construction of the bridge was begun; and

(*d*) when it was washed away by the floods?

Mr. R. Krishnaswami Rao: (*a*) 1916 A. D./1092 M. E.

(*b*) 1099 M. E.

(*c*) 1101 M. E.

(*d*) 1104 M. E.

Mr. R. V. Thomas: May I know when the Government intends to construct the bridge?

Mr. R. Krishnaswami Rao: When funds permit.

Measures to improve the price of cocoanuts.

113. ***Mr. K. M. Korah**: Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have made any representations to the Government of India relative to improving the price of cocoanuts produced in India and also to state the nature of the action taken by the Government of India on these representations?

Mr. C. O. Madhavan: Yes. A deputation waited on the Honourable the Commerce Member, the Honourable the Finance Member and the Honourable Member for Lands, Health and Education, of the Government of India, and discussed with them the various aspects of the question of affording adequate protection to the cocoanut industry. The deputation furnished necessary facts

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